

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 391

February 10, 2009

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes humane society to dispose of animals seized in animal cruelty prosecutions if court-order security deposit is not posted within 72 hours.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

**Increase Local Revenue – Not Significant
Decrease Local Expenditures – Not Significant**

Assumptions:

- Current law does not provide for case of an abandoned or abused animal when the owner does not post a security payment. The animal is cared for at a humane society until adopted or destroyed. This bill authorizes the disposal of such animal after 72 hours thereby decreasing the local government expenditures to some degree.
- A not significant increase in local government revenue for the animals that are sold to individuals.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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